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## **EXHIBIT A**

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**CLERK OF COURTS MONTGOMERY COUNTY OHIO** 

## IN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO CIVIL DIVISION

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REINER WALKER : CASE NO.:

1677 Big Bear Drive

Centerville, Ohio 45458

JUDGE

Plaintiff,

vs.

BED BATH & BEYOND INC. : <u>PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT FOR</u>

c/o Corporation Service Company : **PERSONAL INJURY W/JURY**50 West Broad Street, Suite 1330 : **DEMAND ENDORSED HEREIN** 

Columbus, Ohio 43215

and

JANE/JOHN DOE(S AND : XYZ CORPORATION :

Address Unknown :

and :

c/o Joseph McCandlish, Esq. 150 E. Gay Street, 21<sup>st</sup> Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID

Defendants.

Now comes Plaintiff REINER WALKER, (hereinafter referred to as "Plaintiff"), by and through Counsel, to set forth the following averments for his Complaint for personal injury:

## **PARTIES AND VENUE**

1. Plaintiff Reiner Walker is and was a resident of the City of Centerville, Montgomery County, Ohio, during all relevant times herein.

- 2. Upon information and belief, Defendant Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. (hereafter referred to as "Bed Bath & Beyond,") was, at all times relevant, a company registered with the Ohio Secretary of State to do business within the State of Ohio, with its statutory agent and address listed as: Corporation Service Company, 50 West Broad Street, Suite 1330 Columbus, Ohio 43215.
- 3. Plaintiff is unaware of the true name, identity and capacity, whether individual, associate, or otherwise, of the Defendant sued herein as John/Jane Doe and XYZ Corporation, and will amend this Complaint so as to more specifically set forth the name and identity of the Doe Defendants when they have been determined.
- 4. Upon information and belief, Plaintiff alleges that the aforementioned Defendants and XYZ Corporation are legally responsible for the acts and events complained herein, and that Plaintiff's losses and damages were proximately caused by the negligence, fault, wrongful acts/and or legal responsibility of the Defendants.

## JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 5. Plaintiff's damages exceed the minimum jurisdictional limits of this court
- 6. Any and all actions or inactions giving rise to the cause of action as stated herein did occur in Montgomery County, OH, and there is not complete diversity of citizenship among the parties.

### **COUNT I**

- 7. On or about March 3,2019, Plaintiff Reiner Walker was an invitee to the Bed Bath & Beyond located at 2720 Towne Drive, in the City of Beavercreek, Montgomery Country, Ohio, when, while shopping, Plaintiff stopped to look at a display case which subsequently collapsed, causing bodily injury.
- 8. Upon information and belief, Defendant Bed Bath & Beyond is the owner and/or has a majority interest in the subject property.
- 9. As an invitee, Defendant owed Plaintiff a duty to maintain the aforementioned premises in a reasonably safe condition for persons lawfully on said premises, including the Plaintiff herein.
- 10. Defendants Bed Bath & Beyond by and through its agents, servants, and/or employees, in disregarding said duty, acted with less than reasonable care and was guilty of one or more of the following carless and negligent acts and/or omissions:

- a. Improperly operated, managed, maintained and controlled its premises in failing to properly maintain the premises;
- b. Failed to warn the Plaintiff and other persons lawfully on said premises of the dangerous condition when Defendants knew or should have known in the exercise of ordinary care that said warning was necessary to prevent injury to the Plaintiff.
- c. Failed to make a reasonable inspection of its premises when it knew or in the exercise of ordinary care should have known that said inspection was necessary to prevent injury to the Plaintiff and others lawfully on said premises.
- d. Allowed the aforementioned premises to remain in a dangerous condition for an unreasonable length of time.
- e. Failed to inspect or maintain its property in a manner such as to avoid the creating of an unsafe condition.
- f. Was otherwise careless and negligent in the operation of its premises.
- 11. Defendant knew or should have known that a hazardous condition existed at the time Plaintiff was injured.
- 12. As a proximate result of the negligence of Defendant Bed Bath & Beyond, Plaintiff Reiner Walker suffered injuries and damages including, but not limited to, the following:
  - a. Bodily injury, including but not limited to: Trauma induced carpal tunnel syndrome; left shoulder, wrist and hand strain; numbness; anxiety; depression
  - b. Pain and suffering, both physical and emotional; the loss and limitation of the ability to perform basic functions, and the injuries will continue to cause pain and suffering in the future and disruption to her overall life
  - c. Reasonable and necessary medical expenses in an amount in excess of \$18,224.66, as well as further reasonable and necessary medical expenses which may be incurred in the future.
  - d. Lost wages.

13. The aforementioned acts were the direct and proximate cause of the injuries and damages sustained by Plaintiff.

**WHEREFORE**, Plaintiff hereby enters a demand in judgment against Defendant Bed Bath & Beyond, for an amount in excess of \$25,000.00 plus interest, attorney's fees, and the cost of this action.

### **COUNT II**

- 14. Plaintiff re-incorporates all preceding paragraphs as though fully rewritten herein.
- 15. Defendant, as owner and employer of John and/or Jane Doe employee(s) is responsible for the actions of its employees.
- 16. Defendant Bed Bath & Beyond failed to properly train and supervise John and/or Jane Doe employee as stated under the doctrine of respondent superior, which resulted in the injuries sustained by Plaintiff.

**WHEREFORE,** Plaintiff demands judgment against Defendants, jointly and/or severally, for an amount in excess of \$25,000.00 plus interest, attorney's fees and the cost of this action.

## **COUNT III**

- 17. Plaintiff reincorporates all prior paragraphs as if fully rewritten herein.
- 18. Defendant knew, or should have known, failure to exercise due care in the hiring, training, and/or supervision of its employees in the maintenance of the store, would cause Plaintiff severe emotional distress.
- 19. Defendants negligently hired, and/or were negligent in their training and/or supervision practices.

**WHEREFORE,** Plaintiff demands judgment against Defendants, jointly and/or severally, in an amount in excess of \$25,000.00 plus interest, attorney's fees and the cost of this action.

### **COUNT IV**

- 20. Plaintiff incorporates each and every allegation contained in the preceding paragraphs as though fully rewritten herein.
- 21. Defendant Ohio Department of Medicaid has paid or will pay medical expenses on behalf of Plaintiff injuries it claims are related to the subject matter of this Complaint.

22. Plaintiff denies that Defendant Ohio Department of Medicaid may be entitled to be reimbursed or may be subrogated to the rights of the Plaintiff for monies paid for medical expenses related to this subject lawsuit.

**WHEREFORE**, Plaintiff requests, as to Count Four against Defendant Ohio Department of Medicaid, the Court determine if and to what extent Defendant is entitled to recover medical benefits paid.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Robert L. Gresham\_

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Attorneys for Plaintiff, Reiner Walker

### **JURY DEMAND**

Now comes Plaintiff, by and through counsel, and hereby demands a trial by jury on all issues of this matter.

/s/ Robert L. Gresham\_

Michael L. Wright, Esq.
Robert L. Gresham, Esq.
Kesha Q. Brooks, Esq.
Attorneys for Plaintiff, Reiner Walker

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BED BATH BEYOND INC	MAIN DEFENDANT	

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CASE TYPE	Civil
JURY DEMAND	Yes
PRAYER AMOUNT	75000
ACTION TYPE	PERSONAL INJURY
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## INSTRUCTIONS FOR SERVICE

RENIER WALKER
PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER

BED BATH BEYOND INC DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT

PLEASE ISSUE SERVICE TO: (Name and Address)

BED BATH BEYOND INC CO CORPORATION SERVICE 50 WEST BROAD STREET SUITE 1330 COLUMBUS, OH 43215

JOHNJANE DOE XYZ CORP UNKNOWN ADDRESS DAYTON, OH 45422

OHIO DEPT OF MEDICAID CO JOSEPH M. MCCANDISH 150 E. GAY ST 21ST FLOOR COLUMBUS, OH 43215

VIA: Service by Clerk

### **SERVICE PROVIDER:**

**TO BE SERVED** (List all Documents to be Served)
Complaint FOR PERSONAL INJURIES; JURY DEMAND ENDORSED HEREON

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## IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY OHIO CIVIL DIVISION

SUMMONS

PLAINTIFF CASE NUMBER

RENIER WALKER 2020 CV 04983

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DEFENDANT ARTICLE NUMBER

BED BATH BEYOND INC et al 782035055824

## TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED DEFENDANT:

BED BATH BEYOND INC CO CORPORATION SERVICE 50 WEST BROAD STREET COLUMBUS OH 43215

You have been named a Defendant or Respondent in a complaint filed in Montgomery County Court of Common Pleas, Dayton, Ohio. A copy of the Complaint is attached.

### BY:

RENIER WALKER 1677 BIG BEAR DRIVE CENTERVILLE, OH 45458

## **PLAINTIFF ATTORNEY:**

ROBERT L. GRESHAM 130 W SECOND ST SUITE 1600 DAYTON, OH 45402

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon the Plaintiff's attorney, or upon the Plaintiff, if the Plaintiff does not have an attorney, a copy of an **Answer to the Complaint** within **28 days after receipt of this summons, exclusive of the day you received the summons.** Your original **Answer**must be filed with the Clerk of Court's Office **within 3 days**after you serve the Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff.

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# In The Court Of Common Pleas, Montgomery County Ohio Civil Division

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## **SUMMONS**

PLAINTIFF CASE NUMBER

RENIER WALKER 2020 CV 04983

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BED BATH BEYOND INC et al 782035063086

## TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED DEFENDANT:

JOHNJANE DOE XYZ CORP UNKNOWN ADDRESS DAYTON OH 45422

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**SUMMONS** 

PLAINTIFF CASE NUMBER

RENIER WALKER 2020 CV 04983

**VS** 

DEFENDANT ARTICLE NUMBER

BED BATH BEYOND INC et al 782035073341

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## IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO

REINER WALKER CASE NO. 2020 CV 04983

Plaintiff, JUDGE GREGORY F. SINGER

vs. NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

BED BATH & BEYOND INC., ET AL.

Defendants.

The Court and parties hereto will take notice that Christopher E. Cotter, Esq. and Phillip M. Sarnowski, Esq. of Roetzel & Andress, LPA, hereby enter their appearance as counsel of record for Defendant Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. in the above-captioned matter.

It is respectfully requested that service of all further pleadings, notices, filings, papers, etc. be made upon the undersigned as counsel of record for said Defendant.

Respectfully submitted,

## /s/ Christopher E. Cotter

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ATTORNEYS FOR DEFENDANT BED BATH & BEYOND INC.

### **PROOF OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021, a copy of the foregoing was filed electronically. Notice of this filing will be sent to all parties by operation of the Court's electronic filing system. Parties may access this filing through the Court's system. Further, the undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing was served via email pursuant to Civ.R. 5(B)(2)(f) to the following:

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ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF REINER WALKER

Ohio Department of Medicaid c/o Joseph McCandlish, Esq. 150 E. Gay Street, 21<sup>st</sup> Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215 Defendant

/s/ Christopher E. Cotter

One of the Attorneys for Defendant

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## In The Court Of Common Pleas, Montgomery County Ohio **Civil Division**

**FAILURE OF SERVICE NOTIFICATION CASE NUMBER: 2020 CV 04983** 

ROBERT GRESHAM L. 130 W SECOND ST **SUITE 1600** 

DAYTON OH 45402

TRACKING NO: 782035063086

DATE: 1/14/2021

### RENIER WALKER vs BED BATH BEYOND INC

YOU ARE HERBY NOTIFIED THAT SERVICE WAS NOT PERFECTED ON:

REASON FOR SERVICE: CIVIL INITIAL SERVICE EFILING RECIPIENT: JOHNJANE DOE XYZ CORP

**UNKNOWN ADDRESS** 

DAYTON OH 45422

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Montgomery County Clerk Of Courts

ROBERT GRESHAM L. 130 W SECOND ST SUITE 1600 DAYTON OH 45402

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**Montgomery County Common Pleas Court** 

IN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO

RENIER WALKER, et. al.,

CASE NO. 2020 CV 04983

Plaintiff(s),

JUDGE GREGORY F. SINGER

-VS-

**NOTICE** 

BED BATH BEYOND, INC., et. al.,

(Service)

Defendant(s).

A review of the file in this action reveals that the Defendant(s), JohnJane Doe XYZ Corp., has not been served.

Please check the tracking number to verify if service has been made. If so, file a notice with the Court including documentation of proof of service.

Pursuant to Civ.R. 4.6(C), service via regular mail is not permissible until a return of service marked "refused" has been received. Pursuant to Civ.R. 4.6(D), service via regular mail is not permissible unless service is attempted via United States Postal Service certified or express mail and a return of service marked "unclaimed" has been received. Regular mail service cannot be issued pursuant to Civ.R. 4.6(D) where service was attempted by commercial carrier (i.e., FedEx, UPS) and the return of service is marked "unclaimed." See Staff Notes to Civ.R. 4.6.

If service has not been made as evidenced in the tracking number, please investigate the possibility of utilizing alternative methods to obtain service. ABSENT PRIOR COURT APPROVAL, DO NOT RE-ISSUE SERVICE TO ADDRESSES ALREADY DEEMED UNDELIVERABLE.

Failure to file a response to this notice within fourteen days may result in administrative dismissal of this action.

#### SO ORDERED:

### JUDGE GREGORY F. SINGER

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Attorney for Defendant, Bed Bath Beyond Inc

Copies of this document were sent to all parties listed below by ordinary mail:

REINER WALKER

Plaintiff

JOHNJANE DOE XYZ CORP UNKNOWN ADDRESS DAYTON, OH 45422 Defendant

OHIO DEPT OF MEDICAID CO JOSEPH M. MCCANDISH 150 E. GAY ST 21ST FLOOR COLUMBUS, OH 43215 Defendant

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## IN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO CIVIL DIVISION

RENIER WALKER : Case No.: 2020 CV 04983

Plaintiff, : JUDGE SINGER

vs. :

BED BATH & BEYOND, INC., et al., : <u>PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE TO THE</u>

**COURT'S NOTICE** 

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**Defendants** 

Now comes Plaintiff by and through counsel to respond to the Court's notice to perfect service.

The Court's January 19, 2021 Notice references XYZ Corp., which is essentially a John Doe Defendant. No service is necessary on XYZ Corp. and Plaintiff requests that this Honorable Court recognize same.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Robert L. Gresham\_

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a copy of the foregoing was sent via the Court's Electronic Filing System to all counsel of record.

/s/ Robert L. Gresham\_

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## IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO

Reiner Walker : Case No: 2020 CV 04983

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Plaintiffs,

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VS.

: ANSWER OF DEFENDANT STATE

OF OHIO, DEPARTMENT OF

: MEDICAID FKA JOB AND FAMILY

: SERVICES AND CROSS-

**CLAIM AGAINST DEFENDANTS** 

Bed Bath & Beyond Inc, et al.

:

Defendant.

## ANSWER OF DEFENDANT, STATE OF OHIO, DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID FKA JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

Now comes Dave Yost, Attorney General for the State of Ohio, by and through Joseph M. McCandlish, Assistant Attorney General, and states the following:

- 1. This answering Defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations contained in the Complaint, except State of Ohio admits it has paid on the behalf of Plaintiff, Reiner Walker, a Medicaid recipient, in the amount of \$671.09 for medical services and care as a result of the accident alleged in Plaintiff's Complaint, and could possibly make further expenditures during the pendency of this action.
- 2. The State of Ohio, Department of Medicaid fka Job and Family Services has a right of recovery for the cost of medical services and care provided to Plaintiff, Reiner Walker, pursuant to Section 5160.37 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**WHEREFORE,** this Defendant having fully answered, prays that its rights be protected.

## CROSS-CLAIM OF DEFENDANT, STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID FKA JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

- 3. The State of Ohio hereby incorporates Paragraphs 1 and 2 of its Answer herein.
- 4. By virtue of Section 5160.37 of the Ohio Revised Code, the State of Ohio is entitled to recover the amount expended for said medical services and care from the Defendants.

**WHEREFORE**, the State of Ohio demands judgment on its Cross-Claim against Defendants, in the amount listed herein, plus any additional amounts expended for medical services and care during the pendency of this action.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021, the foregoing <u>Answer, and Cross-Claim</u> was mailed by regular U.S. Mail and/or electronic filing to:

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Defendant

/s/ Joseph M. McCandlish

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